

REMARKS

Claims 45, 47-53 and 55-64 are pending in this application. Claim 45 is amended herein to delete the terms "diabetes mellitus" and "a neurodegenerative disease" as discussed in the telephone conference of June 16, 2006 with the Examiner. Reconsideration of the outstanding rejections is respectfully requested for the reasons that follow.

Claims 45, 47-49, 52, 53 and 62-64 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as not being enabled. Applicants submit that the deletion of the term "a neurodegenerative disease" obviates the 112 enablement rejection.

Claims 45, 62 and 63 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by JP 09227398. Claims 45, 47-49 and 62-64 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over JP 09227398 taken with Khwaja et al. Applicants submit that the deletion of the term "diabetes mellitus" obviates the outstanding anticipation and obviousness rejections based on JP 09227398 alone or taken with Khwaja et al.

Therefore, Applicants submit that all outstanding rejections have been overcome and should be withdrawn. Applicants also submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action are requested. The Director is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 02-2135.

Respectfully submitted,

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